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IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A biochemical analyzer for automatically analyzing a specimen, comprising:

- a specimen introducing part for introducing a specimen rack;
- a specimen rack conveying part having an ongoing straight path and an incoming straight path which are substantially straight over their allover lengths, for reciprocally conveying the specimen rack introduced from the specimen introducing part, to and from at least two analyzing parts having different functions and having substantially equal widths, for pipetting specimens on the specimen rack and allowing the specimens to react with reagents so as to analyze the specimens, through the ongoing straight path and the incoming straight path;
- a reexamining buffer for temporarily storing the specimen rack for reanalysis;
- and
- a specimen storage part for storing the specimen rack for which the pipetting is completed,
- the analyzing parts having the different functions, the reexamining buffer being located between the specimen introducing part and the specimen storage part in line, the specimen introducing part, the analyzing parts having the different functions, the reexamining buffer and the specimen storage part being coupled to one another in rear of them by the outgoing straight path and the incoming straight path, ~~the specimen introducing part, the rack conveying part, the analyzing parts and~~

~~the specimen storage part being coupled to one another in rear of them by the ongoing straight path and the incoming straight path,~~ the specimen introducing part, the specimen rack conveying part, the analyzing parts, and the specimen storage part being independent from one another and being arranged on a floor so that each of them is independently removable, and the specimen introducing part, the analyzing parts, the reexamining buffer and the specimen storing part having heights measured from the floor, which are substantially equal to one another, and depths which are substantially equal to one another,

wherein the specimen rack conveying part conveys the specimen rack introduced by the specimen introducing part to any of the analyzing parts, and the reexamining buffer, and also conveys the specimen rack to be reexamined from the reexamining buffer to any of the analyzing parts under the control of a control part for controlling conveyance of the specimen rack.

Claims 2-4 (Cancelled):

Claim 5 (Previously Presented): A biochemical analyzer as claimed in claim 1, wherein the specimen introducing part, the rack conveying part, the analyzing parts and the specimen storage part have heights which are set in a range of 850 to 950 mm measured from a floor surface on which the biochemical analyzer is installed, and depths which are set in a range of 750 to 800 mm.